THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) Information relating to Minority Educational Institutions aided by Government and the amount granted annually to them is being collected.

Equipments lying unused in IIT, Delhi

607. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whethtr Government are aware that equipment worth lakhs of rupees is lying unused in IIT, thereby affecting the research work;

(b) if so, the details of such equipments, the time since when they are lying unused together with the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken for its proper use?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd., Nagpur

608. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd. (MECL) Nagpur is the premier exploration agency in the country to undertake exploration work on behalf of Government on promotinal basis as well as of other agencies on contractual basis;

(b) if so, what has been the performance of this Company during 1992-93, indicating the physical targets, achievements against the targets during the years 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93 (Upto 31-3-93) in drilling, mining (in metres) with value in crores of rupees; and

(c) what was the authorised capital of Corporation at the inception and at the level it stands now as on 31st March, 1993?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The performance of the Company in terms of achievements against targets and the value of work